

Timber Lake Christian Church Ministry/Mission Assessment

Your Name _____ Mission Title _____

Contact Information _____

Forwarding Agent _____ Contact Information _____

How Long have you been in this current field of ministry? _____

When is your next furlough? _____ Would you be available to visit TLCC sometime between September – November 2015? Yes No

We pray the questions contained in this questionnaire will help you update us on what you are doing, why you are doing it, and how we can better help you fulfill His Call to ministry? Our church is undergoing a "top to bottom" ministry evaluation. Enclosed (or attached to the email) you will find a copy of our ministers' performance review and our returning Elders' Interview formats. We are not asking you to do anything we have not been willing to do ourselves. We want to be more intentional in what we are doing, why we are doing it, and confident that it is what God wants from us. While this process no doubt may influence future levels of financial support we want first and foremost to fulfill our commitment to you as a supporting church. We will leave no one destitute on the field, but we may adjust our support after a reasonable period of time. We are committing to you there will be no bad surprises and asking for your honest evaluation. You may need more paper to answer some of the questions. [ddelp@timberlakechristian.org]

For personal growth and reflection you might consider reading/journaling through any one of these books:

- *Ten Questions to Diagnose Your Spiritual Health*
- *Revolution in World Missions:*
- *Cross-Cultural Servant hood: Serving the World in Christ-like Humility*

(The following questions are to help you help us understand how you have become an extension of our ministry. What do you do to fulfill your stated purpose and how might it promote the three biblical mandates that we have chosen to evaluate our ministry: Love the Lord, Learn the Truth and Light the World.)

1. What is your mission's stated purpose?

2. What does it look like in Scripture as people grow in their **Love for the Lord**?

Luke 10:27 – “And he answered, ‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.’”

- What does growing in your **love for the Lord** look like in your life? (Are there any specific tasks or priorities you utilize to do this?)
- What does growing in your **love for the Lord** look like in your ministry/mission? (Are there any specific tasks or priorities you utilize to do this?)
- Are there any measurable indicators of increase or decline in this area of ministry in your personal life and mission work? (This is an important question, please give it some thought and provide some input)

My Love for God is growing... or not. (#1 very much describes me - #5 very much does not describe me)

1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 I am sensing a renewed hunger for reading/studying/ praying with God's word.

1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 I am finding a renewed love for those that are lost, outside of Christ.

1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 I am discovering a renewed compassion for and reliance on God's people.

1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 My hunger for personal and corporate worship is refreshing rather than obligatory or non-existent.

1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 I have noticed that sin, both mine and of others around me, is causing a deeper sense of grief

3. What does it look like in Scripture when people **Learn the Truth**?

John 8:31-23 - "If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine; 32and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." **Acts 17:11** - "Now these were more noble-minded than those in Thessalonica, for they received the word with great eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see whether these."

- What does **Learning the Truth** look like in your life? (Are there any specific tasks or priorities you utilize to do this?)

- What does **Learning the Truth** look like in your ministry/mission? (Are there any specific tasks or priorities you utilize to do this?)
- Are there any measurable indicators of increase or decline in this area of ministry in your personal life and mission work? (This is an important question, please give it some thought and provide some input)

My Desire to Learn/Teach Truth is growing... or not.

(#1 very much describes me / #5 very much does not describe me)

1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 I have a consistent and regular reading/study plan in the Bible and quality Christian resources.

1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 I have a consistent and regular reading/study plan with believers.

1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 I am seeing a/some potential leaders in my community of faith which are striving to study with other believers and their circle of influence.

1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 I currently have favorite resources for spiritual, personal and professional growth and pass appropriate resources on to other potential leaders in my circle of influence. (Please list your current favorite resources/authors down below)

4. What does it look like in Scripture when people are growing in their resolve and maturity to **Light the World?**

Matthew 5:14-16 - *"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."*

- What does **Light the World** look like in your life? (Are there any specific tasks or priorities you utilize to do this?)
- What does **Light the World** look like in your ministry/mission? (Are there any specific tasks or priorities you utilize to do this?)

- Are there any measurable indicators of increase or decline in this area of ministry in your personal life and mission work? (This is an important question, please give it some thought and provide some input)

My efforts **to Light my World** are effective... or not. (#1 very much describes me / #5 very much does not describe me)

1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 I have goals, priorities and consistent plans for taking the **Light into my World**

1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 I help the believers around me to have goals, priorities to take the **Light of Christ into the dark** areas of their culture.

1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 I can see some new areas of darkness in our culture that God has revealed to me and burdened me to reach out to.

1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 I can see some specific areas of darkness that have been over taken with some level of Light because of God's work through me and/or my ministry.

5. What is your ministry budget and what percentage of that total budget comes from our church's support?

6. Who are on your board of directors providing oversight in your ministry?

7. If the lack of money, hours, or man power had no limits on your ministry what would you change, do, or try in order to best fulfill God's call to ministry in your life?

8. How would you describe the beginning of your sense of a call to ministry?

9. How would you describe the current health of your sense of a call to ministry?

10. Please describe or list anything(s) you feel is(are) important for us to understand you, your situation or ministry.